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What is claimed is:

1. A protection circuit for use with a 1394-compliant network of devices, the circuit comprising:

a power source;

a switch connecting the protection circuit to power supplied by another device;

a transceiver having at least one outbound data line, the at least one data line connected to an electrostatic discharge line; and

a diode connected between the at least one outbound data line and the electrostatic discharge line.